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CHAPTER 42

HOUSE BILL 2211

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 25-817, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO MATERNITY AND PATERNITY PROCEEDINGS.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 25-817, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

25-817. <u>Temporary orders: presumption of paternity</u>

- A. PENDING A JUDICIAL DETERMINATION OF PATERNITY, the court shall issue a temporary order of support pending a judicial determination of paternity, AND MAY ISSUE A TEMPORARY ORDER REGARDING CUSTODY AND PARENTING TIME, if any of the following applies:
- 1. Genetic testing affirms at least a ninety-five per cent probability of paternity.
- 2. A notarized or witnessed statement is signed by both parents acknowledging paternity or separate substantially similar notarized or witnessed statements are signed acknowledging paternity and filed with the department of health services pursuant to section 36-334 or filed with the department of economic security.
- 3. The respondent admits or does not deny paternity in a written response filed with the clerk of the court.
- 4. There is other clear and convincing evidence as determined by a court.
- B. A temporary order of support ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION does not prejudice the rights of a person or child that are adjudicated at subsequent hearings in the proceeding.
- C. A temporary order of support ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION may be revoked or modified and terminates when the final support, CUSTODY OR PARENTING TIME order is entered or when the petition for support, CUSTODY OR PARENTING TIME is dismissed.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 11, 2007.

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